

REPORT OF THE ALTON GARDEN CLUB

As the year 2007 closed, the Alton Garden Club looked back with pride knowing that the town was made more beautiful, especially in the summer months, with barrels of petunias and gardens in many areas of Alton. Special appreciation goes to Karen Poor and Jan Sallah and their hard working Beautification Committee that put in many hours of planting, weeding and watering. Sunflower gardens and precious Gardens continue their generous support of these projects.

The Project Committee provided the membership with many varied and interesting programs from field trips, hands-on creative projects and speakers with expertise in a wide variety of plant materials. The yearly fund raiser was a fashion show held in July ably chaired by Doris Barnes. Part of the proceeds from this event funds a scholarship which this year was awarded to Nicholas DiVito, a recent graduate of PMHS.

The Loon Preservation Committee, Nature Conservancy, Lakes Region Conservation and the Alton Mrs. Santa Fund continue to be supported by the Alton Garden Club along with donations of books on horticulture to the Gilman Library.

The Club was very pleased to welcome 6 new members this year.

Officers for 2007 are as follows: Viola Russell – President Diane Norton – Vice President Hali Wilde – Recording Secretary Myra Meier – Treasurer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Viola Russell, President

